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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 9, 2006

In response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 9, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for the reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/007669.P3/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.